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PREFACE.

After having struggled through various difficulties, the smallest of which, could they have been foreseen, would have been sufficient to deter him from the encounter; the editor is rejoiced in being at length enabled to present to his readers the first volume of *The Baltimore Medical and Physical Recorder*. Disappointed in his expectations of receiving that co-operation and patronage so essential to such an undertaking, had he consulted his own interest alone, he would long ago have abandoned all thoughts of its establishment. But bound as he was to the few who subscribed and *paid* for the Recorder, and still flattering himself it might be possible to engage the attention of his medical brethren, at least of the state of Maryland, he was willing to make some sacrifices in the attempt. His efforts, however, hitherto have been productive only of chagrin and disappointment. At the close of this volume the publication would have been most certainly relinquished, if any other work of a similar nature had been established in this city; but as the proposed editors of the *Medical Journal*, have abandoned their design, and as the city of Baltimore is unquestionably well qualified to stamp a sterling value upon such a work; the Editor is determined to persevere with redoubled assiduity. He is aware that the present volume holds out no very powerful inducement for future patronage; and that he has no right to promise, what does not depend entirely upon himself, that the next will be more worthy the notice of his readers; still, however, he cannot help flattering himself, that the number of his correspondents will gradually increase, and that the *Baltimore Medical and Physical Recorder* will one day rise to a proud rivalship with the most useful of its kind.

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